

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend paragraph 42 of the specification as follows:

[042] Although the present invention is capable of importing, querying and retrieving data without semantic metadata, the present invention allows the user to enter field level semantic metadata associations prior to or after data importation. Thus, individual users may utilize the file analysis application of the present invention to insert and/or update syntax or semantic metadata pertaining to each file, record, or field. This feature of the present invention provides the user with additional flexibility with regard to each data field.